

04/24/01

BIRCH, STEWART, KOLASCH & BIRCH, LLP

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW

8110 GATEHOUSE ROAD
SUITE 500 EAST
FALLS CHURCH, VA 22042-1210

USA

(703) 205-8000

FAX (703) 205-8050
(703) 698-8590 (G IV)

e-mail: mailroom@bskb.com
web: http://www.bskb.com

JC986 U.S. PRO
09/840182
04/24/01

TERRELL C. BIRCH
RAYMOND C. STEWART
JOSEPH A. KOLASCH
JAMES M. SLATTERY
BERNARD L. SWEENEY*
MICHAEL K. MUTTER
CHARLES GORENSTEIN
GERALD M. MURPHY, JR
LEONARD R. SVENSSON
TERRY L. CLARK
ANDREW D. MEIKLE
MARC S. WEINER
JOE MCKINNEY MUNCY
ROBERT J. KENNEY
DONALD J. DALEY
JOHN W. BAILEY
JOHN A. CASTELLANO
GARY D. YACURA
THOMAS S. AUCHTERLONIE
MARK J. NUELL, PH D

OF COUNSEL:
HERBERT M. BIRCH (1905-1996)
ELLIOT A. GOLDBERG*
WILLIAM L. GATES*
EDWARD H. VALANCE
RUPERT J. BRADY (RET.)*
F. PRINCE BUTLER
FRED S. WHISENHUNT
JAMES W. HELLWEGE

*ADMITTED TO A BAR OTHER THAN VA

JAMES T. ELLER, JR
SCOTT L. LOWE
D. RICHARD ANDERSON
PAUL C. LEWIS
MARK W. MILSTEAD*
RICHARD J. GALLAGHER
JAYNE M. SAYDAH*
MARYANNE ARMSTRONG, PH D
HYUNG N. SOHN
KECIA J. REYNOLDS
ROBERT L. SCOTT, II
KALPANA REDDY

REG. PATENT AGENTS
FREDERICK R. HANDREN
MAKI HATSUMI
CRAIG A. McROBBIE
GARTH M. DAHLEN, PH D
ROBERT E. GOOZNER, PH D
MATTHEW J. LATTIG
TIMOTHY R. WYCKOFF
KRISTI L. RUPERT, PH D
LARRY J. HUME
ALBERT K. LEE
HRAYR A. SAYADIAN, PH D
MATTHEW T. SHANLEY
JASON W. RHODES
CHRISTINA F. ANNICK

Date: April 24, 2001
Docket No.: 0879-0312P

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Box PATENT APPLICATION
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

Inventor(s): KUBO, Naoki

For: IMAGE RECORDING APPARATUS AND METHOD

Enclosed are:

- A specification consisting of 16 pages
- 14 sheet(s) of formal drawings
- An assignment of the invention - \$40.00 Recording Fee
- Certified copy of Priority Document(s)
- Executed Declaration Original Photocopy
- Applicant claims small entity status in accordance with 37 CFR 1.27
- Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.76

- Preliminary Amendment
 Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and reference(s)
 Other _____
 Applicant requests early publication

The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

		LARGE ENTITY	SMALL ENTITY
FOR	NO. FILED	NO. EXTRA	RATE FEE
BASIC FEE	***** ***** *****	***** ***** *****	***** ***** \$710.00 or *****
TOTAL CLAIMS	22 - 20 =	2	x18 = \$ 36.00 or x 9 = \$ 0.00
INDEPENDENT	4 - 3 =	1	x80 = \$ 80.00 or x 40 = \$ 0.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENTED	no		+270 = \$ 0.00 or +135 = \$ 0.00
			TOTAL \$ 826.00 TOTAL \$ 0.00

- A check in the amount of \$ 866.00 to cover the filing fee and recording fee (if applicable) is enclosed.
 Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$ _____. A triplicate copy of this transmittal form is enclosed.
 No fee is enclosed.

Please send correspondence to:

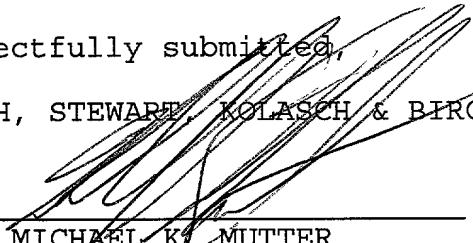
BIRCH, STEWART, KOLASCH & BIRCH, LLP or Customer No. 2292
 P.O. Box 747
 Falls Church, VA 22040-0747
 Telephone: (703) 205-8000

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

BIRCH, STEWART, KOLASCH & BIRCH, LLP

By _____


MICHAEL K. MUTTER

Reg. No. 29,680

P. O. Box 747

Falls Church, Virginia 22040-0747

(703) 205-8000

MKM/ja

U.S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1980 7-1200-100